

REMARKS

Applicants hereby cancel claim 25 from further consideration in this application. As the examiner indicates in the June 16, 2006 action, the remaining claims 4, 5, 7-16, 18-21, 23, and 24 are allowed. With the cancellation of claim 25, it is believed that the application as a whole is in condition for allowance.

A Petition for Extension of Time is also filed herewith and accompanied by authorization to charge the appropriate fee to Deposit Account No. 12-2855. No other fee is believed due at this time. However, if another fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or to credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-2855 of the undersigned's firm.

Dated: December 18, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

/Anthony G. Sitko/

Anthony G. Sitko

Reg. No. 36,278

MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN LLP

233 S. Wacker Dr.

6300 Sears Tower

Chicago, Illinois 60606

(312) 474-6300